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JULY IS SMART IRRIGATION MONTH

GLENDALÉ, Ariz. – With triple digit temperatures and drying winds, July is traditionally the month of peak demand for outdoor watering in the Valley. The city of Glendale Conservation and Sustainable Living Program is celebrating Smart Irrigation Month by helping residents save water, money, and be successful with their landscapes.

Smart Irrigation Month is a public awareness campaign to promote efficient water use. The national campaign highlights simple practices and innovative technologies to help homeowners:

- Minimize overwatering while keeping lawns, gardens, and landscapes healthy and attractive.
- Save money on utility bills.
- Help protect community water supplies for today and the future.

Homeowners typically overwater lawns and landscapes by as much as 30 percent. By selecting and planting carefully, watering wisely, and maintaining and upgrading automated irrigation systems, homeowners can save money, save water and see better results. Residents can improve water efficiency in their landscape through free print and online resources, offered by the city of Glendale Conservation and Sustainable Living Program:

- Order *Landscape Watering by the Numbers: A Guide for the Arizona Desert* to help you determine how much water to apply and how long to run your irrigation system. Call 623-930-3535 or order online at www.glendaleaz.com/WaterConservation/brochures.cfm#FreePacket.

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- Use the new on-line *Water-Smart Landscape Guide* to complete your landscape renovation plans, get ideas from hundreds of Glendale-area garden pictures, and find that perfect desert-adapted plant.

Visit www.glendaleaz.watersavingplants.com/.

- Participate in the landscape rebate program by removing grass and converting to desert-landscaping. Receive a rebate up to \$750 by calling 623-930-3760.
- Find a Smartscape or Irrigation Association certified professional to design, install, maintain or audit your irrigation system at www.smartscape.org or www.irrigation.org/hirecertified.

For more information, call 623-930-3535 or visit www.glendaleaz.com/WaterConservation/.

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